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In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, the following information is brought to the Examiner's attention.

Japanese Patent Laid-Open Publication No. 9-21260. A discussion of relevance of this document is set forth on page one of the present application.

Japanese Patent Laid-Open Publication No. 2000-64685. An English-language translation of this document obtained from the Japanese Patent Office website is also enclosed for the Examiner's convenience. As noted on the English language translation, the translation was made by computer and thus may not precisely reflect the original document.

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The Examiner is respectfully requested to consider the foregoing information and to acknowledge such consideration by initialling, signing and returning the enclosed additional copy of form PTO-1449.

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